

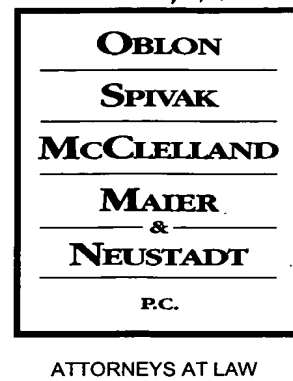


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RE: Application Serial No.: 10/627,764
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Request for Reconsideration After Final

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Responsive to the Final Office Action dated January 13, 2006, Applicants respectfully request reconsideration of the above-identified application in view of the following remarks.

Remarks begin on page 2 of this paper.

Claims 16, 18, 19 and 22-34 remain pending in the application.